In the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0036] with the following amended paragraph:

[0036] Figure 8 shows a side view of the tubular transport tool 800. In this view, two members of the tool 800 are discernable -- a trestle 200 and a ramp 500. Two ~~other~~ members of the ~~tool 800~~ carriage 5-- a trough carrier 300 and a trough 400 -- are disposed within the trestle 200 and are not separately discernable in Figure 8.

Please replace paragraph [0046] with the following amended paragraph:

[0046] As noted in connection with Figures 8A and 8B, the tubular transport tool 800 also comprises a carriage 5, which includes a trough carrier 300 and a trough 400. The trough carrier 300 defines an elongated frame made up of a plurality of beams and lattices. The trough carrier 300 has an open top for receiving a trough 400. The open top forms an upper receiving surface 316 for receiving the trough 400. The trough carrier 300 resides within the U-shaped trestle 200 on the upper receiving surface 216, and is nested between the trestle 200 and the trough 400.

Please replace paragraph [0049] with the following amended paragraph:

[0049] As noted, the ~~tubular transport tool 800~~ carriage 5 also comprises a trough 400. The trough 400 defines an elongated frame configured to cradle a tubular, such as a drill pipe 850 or other pipe employed in drilling a well. The trough 400 is longitudinally movable relative to the trough carrier 300. A trough transport mechanism 410 is provided for selectively moving the trough 400 along the trough carrier 300, and then retracting the trough 400 back into the trough carrier 300. Preferably, the trough transport mechanism 410 also defines a hydraulically operated cylinder having at least one telescoping section. Thus, extension of the telescoping section serves to extend the trough 400 partially out of the trough carrier 300 and towards the drilling rig 810. Of course, other means for sliding the trough 400 relative to the trough carrier may be employed.

Please replace paragraph [0065] with the following amended paragraph:

[0065] In operation, a carriage 5 supporting a pipe 4 is raised to the rig floor 3 and moved closer to a second pipe 7 in the wellbore. During this process, the positioning arms 30 are in the traveling position 30A as shown in Figure 1. Preferably, the box end of the pipe 4 extends beyond the end of the carriage 5 to facilitate attachment [of] by an elevator (not shown) to the pipe 4.

Please replace paragraph [0066] with the following amended paragraph:

[0066] Once the pipe 4 is attached to the elevator ~~is attached~~, the operator may move from the control console 90 to the control panel 80 of the pipe handling apparatus 100. As the pipe 4 is raised by the elevator, the positioning arms 30 may be raised by actuating the piston and cylinder assemblies 50A, 50B. The positioning arms 30 are raised until the stop members 70 contact the free end of the pipe 4 as illustrated by the dotted lines 30B in Figure 1. Figure 5 is another view of the positioning arms 30 in the contact position 30B. After the stop members ~~70~~ 30 contact the pipe 4, the carriage 5 may be moved toward the wellbore as the elevator lifts the pipe 4 further. In this manner, the free end of the pipe 4 may be supported by the stop members 70 and kept under control. If desired, the positioning arms 70 may be raised slightly to remove the thread protectors (not shown) from the pipe 4. Preferably, the length of the positioning arm 30 is sufficient to allow removal of any thread protectors disposed on the pipe 4.

Please replace paragraph [0068] with the following amended paragraph:

[0068] The pipe 4 may now be placed in the final stabbing position by manipulating the carriage 5 and/or the pipe handling apparatus 100. The free end of the pipe 4 may be moved forward or backward by moving the carriage 5 by means of the trough transport mechanism 410. Also, the free end may be moved to the left or right by moving the pipe handling apparatus 100. In this manner, the pipe 4 may be aligned with the second pipe 4 in the wellbore.